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In re the application of: Lee et al.

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For: *In vitro Differentiation of Vascular Smooth Muscle Cells and Reagents Related Thereto*



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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Sir:

Please amend the above-captioned application as follows:

In the Specification:

Please amend the specification as follows:

Page 4, line 23, after "WO11" insert --(SEQ ID NO: 1)--; after "rat" insert --(SEQ ID NO: 2)--;

line 32, after "human" insert --(SEQ ID NO: 3)--; after "mouse" insert --(SEQ ID NO: 4)--.

Page 18, line 7, after "box" insert --(SEQ ID NO: 5)--;

line 25, after "(3X)" insert --(SEQ ID NO: 6)--;

line 8, after "from" insert --(SEQ ID NO: 7)--; after "to" insert --(SEQ ID NO: 8)--.

Page 22, line 5, after "primer" insert --(SEQ ID NO: 9)--;

line 6, after "primer" insert --(SEQ ID NO: 10)--.

Page 51, line 3, after "primer" insert --(SEQ ID NO: 11)--;

line 4, after "primer" insert --(SEQ ID NO: 12)--;